

# **E. Ross Adair oral history OH001**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Rare Books and Manuscripts
<b>Creator</b>	Indiana State Library.
<b>Title</b>	E. Ross Adair oral history
<b>Date</b>	1971
<b>Extent</b>	0.01 Cubic feet 1 bound transcript
<b>Language</b>	English

### Preferred Citation

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## Biographical Note

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Edwin Ross Adair was born December 14, 1907 in Albion, Indiana, the son of Edwin and Alice Prickett Adair. He graduated from Albion High School in 1924. He received his bachelors degree from Hillsdale College and his law degree from George Washington University Law School in 1933. He returned to Indiana, where he began his own law practice. He served in World War II and fought in battles throughout Europe. In 1950, he began his political career by winning a seat as a U.S. Representative. He served in this position until he was defeated in 1971. President Nixon gave him a position as an ambassador to Ethiopia. He retired in 1975. Adair was married and had two children. He died May 7, 1983.

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## Scope and Contents

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This collection contains a transcript from an oral history interview with E. Ross Adair, conducted by Randall W. Jehs. In the discussion, Adair describes his family, upbringing, World War II, his political career, life as a student, political campaigns, Vietnam, and many other topics.

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## Arrangement

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This collection is arranged by format.

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## Administrative Information

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### Publication Information

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### **Accruals**

No further additions are expected.

### **Processing Information**

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## **Controlled Access Headings**

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### **Genre(s)**

- Oral history interview

### **Personal Name(s)**

- Adair, E. Ross (Edwin Ross), 1907-1983

### **Subject(s)**

- Family life
- Indiana--Politics and government--20th century
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975

- World War, 1939-1945